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Part B for

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SUBJECT.

Facilities to Press Correspondents.
(Mr. V. S. Sastry Rao's letter
Submitting certain points for Consideration)

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Abdulla Hussain Khan
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1) Under the, Standing ^X Orders, free passes to travel over the Mysore Railways will be issued to Press Representatives during the Birthday and Dasara at Mysore, and for the purpose of reporting important functions or events of public interest on other occasions.

2) A statement is put ^X up showing the details of passes issued to Mr. Sanjiva Rao from the 29th July to 9th Sept. 22. It will be seen that out of the 25 passes issued to him, he used 14 and returned the unused ^X 11 for being cancelled. The details of the 14 passes used by him are as follows:-

2 to Mysore & back in connection with the Criminal appeal in the Mysore Court Security Life & Marriage Insurance Co. case.

3 to Chintamani & back - . . . Chintamani mosque riot case.

1 to Mysore . . . Flower Show

4 to Kolar, Arsikere etc. . . . Dewan's Tour.

2 to Mysore & back . . . Durbar at Palace (Namakaranam)

2 to Wandya & back . . . Opening ceremony of a school at Nidaghatta.

3) Though the last named function was not of much public interest, passes were issued to him. Till now, all his requests for passes which

Some out of these 11 were rendered useless to him owing to ~~change~~ an alteration of date in the Dewan's tour in the Kolar etc.
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are admissible according to the rules, have been complied with.

4) Mr. Sanjiva Rao's requests for passes were refused in the following two cases for reasons given:

1) Passes over M. & S. M. Ry. lines, as the Govt. have no power to issue them.

2) Passes for attending 6 criminal cases, as they were not considered to be of sufficient public interest as to admit the issue of passes. In his letter to the Private Secy to

Deewan, Mr. Sanjiva Rao himself has left out 3 cases ^{out of the 6} for which he applied for passes to the Chief Secy and he says that he applied for passes for 3 cases mentioned by him.

5) The objectionable language used by Mr. Sanjiva Rao on a former occasion (24.7.22) was brought to the notice of the Editors of New India & Daily Express & the manager of the former paper has drawn the correspondent's attention to it.

6) Submitted for orders, with references.

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11.9.22

7) Mr. Sanjiva Rao's contention that the Editor (or the Editor's equivalent i.e. Mr. S. Rao himself) is to be the judge whether an event is an important one of public interest

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and not the Govt, is inadmissible on the face of it.

8) His attempt to go behind the decision communicated to him & to characterise it as the Chief Secretary's, is not admissible in argument either.

The decision vested in Govt is vested by various functionaries according to the varying circumstances of each case & according to established rules of procedure & conventions. ^{Every such} ~~the~~ decision is none the less the Govt's, so far as ~~outside~~ ^{the public} are concerned.

9) Mr Sanjwa Rao ^{saw} ~~told~~ me on the 7th instant after he got the latest passes, asked me why he had not been given passes for the other journeys & on what grounds the cases ~~mentioned~~ ^{mentioned} by him were considered not important and ~~know~~ ^{asked} those events were less important than the Durbar for which he had been given a pass. I merely invited his attention to the letter addressed to him. He next asked to know he was to know which event would be considered important enough for a pass & which not.

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I said I could not reply such a query and
he might write asking for information
if he thought fit.

(12) He next said that all this would be
avoided if Govt. would give season passes
as previously & as is even now done by
the M.T. & M. Ry. I told him he might
represent so to Govt. But he has not chosen
to do so.

(11) His object evidently is to
lead to this position by a multiplicity
of requests for passes.

(12) Chief Secy

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(13) As to the facts, reference is made
to the app. note at pp 1 & 2

(14) Mr. Laxman Rao has asked for passes
in almost every case asked for him
except those in which passes were asked
from M.T. & M. Ry. & a few cases in
which the want of passes appeared to
be obvious & not covered by the rules - 25 passes
have been issued to him for the month (while the
no. of passes issued to all other persons was only
put together is 12). If there be he is returned

The receipt is
in the name of the
Chief Secy

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11 amended - We have sketched the
rule in Mr. Sanyal's favour issuing
passes even in some cases where the
event appeared to be not ~~unlike~~ of the
class usually reported. For the whole the
provisions direct that passes may be
given on the request of the Editor (who
of course is the judge of what is a
public event of sufficient importance),
Mr. Sanyal's applications are being
renewed direct & complied with.

(When Mr. E. Chandra Sekhri recently
approached me to issue a pass to him & I thought
it better not to issue a public
event, the pass was refused).

15) As far as I can judge, Mr. S. Rao's
objection to ~~the~~ ^{renew} the present
rule ~~is not~~ unreasonable & to force
him to revert to the practice of
issuing local passes, which ~~is~~
has recently been deliberately going up.

~~I have not and will not~~
~~know~~ ~~as to~~ ~~the~~ ~~result~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~pass~~
~~decision~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Committee~~.

16) Secy

17) P.S. Bani meeting the case, I have been

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received a complaint of misusage pass
(traveling - train - express pass) by Mr
Lanjivadas. This is being submitted
separately

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18) Chavacy & The Railway to
decide as to whether the
the Railway to use
blank passes.

19) We need take no action
in this case.

20) The other cases will be
dealt with separately

Go.}

21) by

22) Am
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23) This will be filed, if approved.

Submitted

Am

18.9.22

24) J. G. M.

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Routine Notes.

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Pages have been issued to Mr. V.S.S. for

the following functions:-

From To Date available - Purpose -

1) Bangalore - Mysore - 29th & 31st July - To report proceedings of Cr. appeal in the MysoreGovt Security Life & Marriage Assurance Co case.
Return journey.2) Mysore - Bangalore - 2nd & 4th Aug

Chintamani mosque riot case.

Return journey.

3) Bangalore - Chintamani - 2nd & 4th Aug4) Chintamani - Bangalore - 6th Aug

Flower Show at Mysore.

Return journey - unused

5) Bangalore - Mysore - 11th & 12th Aug

Dewan's Tour.

- do -

unused

6) Mysore - Bangalore - 12th & 13th Aug

- do -

- do - (Return journey)
vide T.7) Bangalore - Kolar - 9th Aug8) Kolar - Srirangapatna - 10th & 11th Aug

9) Srirangapatna - Kolar - do -

10) Kolar - Chikballapur - 11th & 12th Aug11) Bangalore - Mysore - 14th & 15th Aug

Mysore Govt Security Life & Marriage Assurance Co case.

Return journey.

12) Mysore - Bangalore - 15th & 17th Aug

Dewan's Tour.

13) Bangalore - Chikballapur - 13th & 14th Aug

Return journey.

14) Chikballapur - Bangalore - 16th & 17th Aug

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15) Bangalore - Chintamani - 21st Aug - Chintamani mosque riot case.16) Chintamani - Bangalore - 22nd Aug

Return journey - unused.

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| 17) Bangalore - Arsikere - 23 rd Aug.
Par. no. (25) | Deputy Tour | |
| 18) Chikjajur - Chitalmag - 24 th
(26) | - do - | |
| 19) Chitalmag - Chikjajur - 28 th
(27) | Return journey | amused. |
| 20) Arsikere - Bangalore - 31 st Aug + 1 st Sept.
(28) | Return journey | |
| 21) Bangalore - Wundya - 24 th Aug.
(31) | Opening ceremony of
a school building at
Nidaghatta. | mainmable. |
| 22) Wundya - Bangalore - 24 th & 25 th Aug.
(32) | Return journey | |
| 23) Arsikere - Bangalore - 3 rd & 4 th Sept.
(33) | instead of no. 20
(Return journey) | |
| 24) Bangalore - Mysore - 7 th & 8 th Sept.
(36) | Darbar (Namak aramim)
at palace. | |
| 25) Mysore - Bangalore - 8 th & 9 th Sept.
(37) | Return journey | |

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Mr. and Mrs. S. S. S.

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Modern Hotel
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May 8. 8-22

Petr. No. 382

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Dear Sir

At this moment
I am confined. A
small but influential
local people. The
Maraja's daughter is
given the name of
Viparalakshmi -

I came here under
a free railway pass.

10)
and I have to come
at the refusal of
chief Secy of Passes
to print here. Passes
etc. to remark the following
functions, on the fact
that those functions
work of public interest
I submit that the
Secy is not the authority
to decide which
is of public interest
and it is an Editor
who knows it best

- I wanted passes for the following
- 1 Postmaster Rapihar misappropriated
Rs 600 in revenue here post office
on the 1st instant & he is under
arrest -
 - 2 - Tator Siappa of Parihar killed his
mother & buried her body in his own
backyard - Case is posted to the
instant at Dhanagere -
 - 3 - Forfeited appeal at Mysore where the